AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated in the below Listing of Claims that will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1.   (Currently Amended)) A method of <u>facilitating</u> trading <u>of</u> financial interests, the method comprising:

receiving via a computer network terms for a proposed auction in <u>at least one</u> financial interest[[s]] and associating with <u>the</u> ~~said~~ proposed auction a deadline for deciding <u>the</u> ~~said~~ proposed auction;

<u>providing, prior to the proposed auction, via the computer network information related to the proposed auction to prospective participants in the proposed auction;</u>

receiving via [[a]] <u>the</u> computer network terms for at least one proposed non-auction transaction in <u>the</u> at least one ~~of said~~ financial interest[[s]]; and

identifying <u>the</u> ~~said~~ proposed non-auction transaction as an entry in <u>the</u> ~~said~~ proposed auction <u>but not to the prospective participants prior to the proposed auction</u>.

2.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, comprising conducting <u>the</u> ~~said~~ proposed auction with <u>the</u> ~~said~~ proposed non-auction transaction as an entry.

3.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein <u>the at least one</u> ~~said~~ financial interest[[s]] compprise<u>s at least one</u> fixed-income ~~securities~~ <u>security</u>.

4.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 3, wherein <u>the at least one</u> ~~said~~ fixed-income ~~securities~~ <u>security</u> comprise <u>at least one</u> corporate bond[[s]].

Claims 5-37 (Cancelled).

38. (Currently Amended) A ~~system~~ computer program product, comprising a computer readable medium or media encoded with computer-readable instructions that, when executed by a processor, cause a computer system to perform a method for facilitating computer trading at least one of financial interest[[s]], the method ~~system~~ comprising:

~~receive~~receiving via a computer network terms for a proposed auction in at least one financial interest[[s]] and ~~associate~~ associating with the ~~said~~proposed auction a deadline for deciding the ~~said~~proposed auction;

providing, prior to the proposed auction, via the computer network information related to the proposed auction to prospective participants in the proposed auction;

~~receive~~receiving via [[a]] the computer network terms for at least one proposed non-auction transaction in the at least one ~~of said~~financial interest[[s]]; and

~~identify~~identifying the ~~said~~proposed non-auction transaction as an entry in the ~~said~~proposed auction but not to the prospective participants prior to the proposed auction.

Claims 39-41 (Cancelled).

42. (New) The product of claim 38, wherein the method comprises conducting the proposed auction with the proposed non-auction transaction as an entry.

43. (New) The product of claim 38, wherein the at least one financial interest comprises at least one fixed-income security.

44. (New) The product of claim 38, wherein the at least one fixed-income security comprise at least one corporate bond.